STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The definition of a Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) contractor is unduly restrictive to those who may install solid fuel burning furnaces and should more broadly define contractors to include anyone who installs solid fuel burning appliances. The HVAC Board has determined that it has become necessary to clarify that the installation of various solid fuel-burning appliances are included in the HVAC regulatory scheme and are addressed in the International Mechanical Code (IMC) and the International Residential Code (IRC). It has always been the intent of the Board to ensure the safe installation of solid fuel burning appliances through the permitting and inspection of such appliances as they fall within the definition of heating systems. As a result and for the purposes of licensure, the definition of HVAC contractor must properly reflect that it includes those who may install such appliances.

FISCAL NOTE

No adverse impact.

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